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SUMMARY. JAN 3 CAIRO PRESS HEADLINES EGYPT URGING
SECURITY COUNCIL DEAL WITH AFGHAN SITUATION. PRESS QUOTES
DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN AS SAYING U.S. IS CONSIDERING
EGYPTIAN OFFER FOR USE OF MILITARY FACILITIES. EDITORIALS
COMPARE STRONG IRANIAN RESPONSE TO DEMONSTRATION AGAINST
SOVIET EMBASSY WITH CONTINUED INACTION OVER SEIZURE OF
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1. SECURITY COUNCIL. DEVELOPMENTS IN AFGHANISTAN CONTINUE TO BE HEADLINE STORY IN ALL CAIRO PAPERS JAN 3. HEADLINES EMPHASIZE CLASHES BETWEEN SOVIET FORCES AND AFGHAN MUSLIMS: "ESCALATION OF BATTLE BETWEEN MUSLIM REVOLUTIONARIES AND SOVIET OCCUPATION ARMY IN AFGHANISTAN" (AHRAM), "CLASHES BETWEEN SOVIET AND REVOLUTIONARY FORCES IN AREAS BORDERING PAKISTAN" (AKHBAR), AND "SOVIETS BURN CHILDREN WITH NAPALM IN AFGHANISTAN" (GUMHURIYYA). PRESS REPORTS MINSTATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS GHALI HAS INSTRUCTED GOE PERMREP IN NEW YORK TO MEET WITH FRIENDLY COUNTRIES TO URGE EARLY CALL FOR SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION TO DISCUSS SOVIET INVASION OF AFGHANISTAN. GHALI, HIMSELF, MET WITH MORE NON-ALIGNED AMBASSADORS YESTERDAY, REPEATING THAT SOVIET MOVE CONSTITUTES THREAT TO NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. PRESS CLAIMS SOVIETS NAPALMED AFGHAN VILLAGES, CAUSING DEATH TO HUNDREDS OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN. PRESIDENT CARTER'S MEETING WITH NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL IS NOTED, WITH PRESS LISTING POSSIBLE U.S. ACTIONS AS INCLUDING: CONVENING SECURITY COUNCIL, BOYCOTTING OF OLYMPIC GAMES, CUTTING TRADE AND CULTURAL RELATIONS, HALTING WHEAT SHIPMENTS, AND INCREASING MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO SOVIET NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY PAKISTAN. PRESS PICKS UP RECALL OF U.S.

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AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW FOR CONSULTATIONS.

2. AFGHAN APPRECIATION. AFGHAN STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS IN EGYPT SENT CABLES OF THANKS TO PRESIDENT SADAT, PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY, AND GRAND MUFTI FOR SUPPORT THEY HAVE EXPRESSED IN WAKE SOVIET INVASION. CABLES NOTED EGYPT WAS FIRST ISLAMIC STATE TO DENOUNCE THE SOVIET MOVE, AND TO DECLARE ITS SUPPORT FOR AFGHAN MUSLIM REVOLUTIONARIES.

3. U.S. CONSIDERING EGYPTIAN FACILITIES. AKHBAR'S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT QUOTES STATEMENT BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN TO EFFECT THAT U.S. IS CONSIDERING EGYPT'S OFFER OF FACILITIES FOR MILITARY OPERATIONS TO DEFEND GULF AND FREE HOSTAGES IN IRAN.

4. EDITORIALS. AHARAM, DEPLORING SEIZURE OF EMBASSIES AS PRINCIPLE, NEVERTHELESS WONDERS WHY IRANIANS EASILY MANAGED TO DISPERSE ANTI-SOVIET DEMONSTRATION YESTERDAY WHEN THEY "BLESSED" STUDENT'S EARLIER SEIZURE OF AMERICAN EMBASSY. PAPER NOTES IRANIANS WERE AWARE THAT "HUNDREDS OF MUSLIMS WERE CRUSHED BY SOVIET TANKS IN KABUL AND OTHER AREAS." AKHBAR EXPRESSES BEWILDERMENT OVER SILENCE OF SAUDI-BASED ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT IN FACE GENOCIDAL COMMUNIST WAR AGAINST AFGHAN MUSLIMS. AKHBAR CONCLUDES ISLAMIC UNITY IS NOTHING MORE THAN AN EMPTY

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